

Environmental Protection Agency

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Subpart A—General

§91.1 Applicability.

(a) This part and all its subparts apply to marine spark-ignition engines used to propel marine vessels as defined in the General Provisions of the United States Code, 1 U.S.C.3 (1992), unless otherwise indicated.

(b) Sterndrive and inboard engines are exempt from this part.

(c) Existing technology OB/PWC are exempt from §91.112 and subparts D, E, F, G, I (§§91.803 through 91.805), J, M and N through model year 2003.

§91.2 Applicable date.

This part applies to marine spark-ignition engines beginning with the 1998 model year, except where otherwise specified.

§91.3 Definitions.

The following definitions apply to this part 91. All terms not defined herein have the meaning given them in the Act.

Act means the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Adjustable parameter means any device, system, or element of design which is physically capable of being adjusted (including those which are difficult to access) and which, if adjusted, may affect emissions or engine performance during emission testing or normal in-use operation.

Administrator means the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency or his or her authorized representative.

Auxiliary emission control device means any element of design that senses temperature, engine speed, engine RPM, transmission gear, or any other parameter for the purpose of activating, modulating, delaying, or deactivating the operation of any part of the emission control system.

Certification means, with respect to new SI marine engines, obtaining a certificate of conformity for an engine family complying with the marine SI engine emission standards and requirements specified in this part.

Emission control system means any device, system, or element of design which controls or reduces the emission of substances from an engine.

Engine as used in this part, refers to marine SI engine.

Engine family means a group of engines, as specified in §91.115.

EPA enforcement officer means any officer, employee, or authorized representative of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency so designated in writing by the Administrator (or by his or her designee).

Exhaust emissions means matter emitted into the atmosphere from any opening downstream from the exhaust port of a marine engine.

Existing technology OB/PWC means an outboard engine or a personal watercraft engine which was in production for the 1997 or any previous model years and that did not utilize newer technologies such as four-stroke technology, direct-injection two-stroke technology, catalyst technology, or other technology used to comply with emission standards which the Administrator determines is a new type of OB/PWC technology.

Family Emission Limit (FEL) means an emission level that is declared by the manufacturer to serve in lieu of an emission standard for certification and for the averaging, banking, and trading program. A FEL must be expressed to the same number of decimal places as the applicable emission standard.

Fuel system means all components involved in the transport, metering, and mixture of the fuel from the fuel tank to the combustion chamber(s) including the following: Fuel tank, fuel tank cap, fuel pump, fuel lines, oil injection metering system, carburetor or fuel injection components, and all fuel system vents.

Gross power means the power measured at the crankshaft or its equivalent (for outboards, the power may be measured at the propeller shaft), the engine being equipped only with the standard accessories (such as oil